

# WASHINGTON SIDELIGHTS

## To Establish Redwoods National Park



WASHINGTON.—The house has passed the following resolution: "Resolved, That the secretary of the interior be, and is hereby, directed to investigate and report to the house of representatives as to the suitability, location, cost, if any, and advisability of securing a tract or tracts of land in the state of California containing a stand of typical redwood trees of the species 'Sequoia Sempervirens' with a view that such land be set apart and dedicated as a national park for the benefit and enjoyment of the people of the United States and for the purpose of preserving such trees from destruction and extinction, and also as to whether or not the whole or any part of such lands or the purchase price thereof would be donated to the United States, and the probable cost of maintaining such lands as a part of the national park system."

When the clerk read the resolution, which came up on the unanimous consent calendar, the following took place:

Mr. Walsh—Mr. Speaker, reserving the right to object, I would like to ask the gentleman if the secretary of the interior has exclusive jurisdiction over forest reserves?

Mr. Lea of California—I think the department of agriculture has exclusive jurisdiction over the forest reserves and the secretary of the interior has jurisdiction over the parks.

Mr. Walsh—This would be treated differently from forest reserves if this tract was acquired?

Mr. Lea of California—Yes; so I understand.

Mr. Walsh is from Massachusetts and New England is always active in national park legislation. But the expected opposition didn't develop.

Sequoia National park (to be enlarged and its name changed to Roosevelt) preserves the "Sequoia gigantea," or Big Trees. The redwood is its first cousin and is being extensively lumbered. The movement to save the redwood from extinction by establishing the Redwoods National park has resulted in the formation of a "Save the Redwoods League," with nation-wide membership.

## U. S. Senators Human Beings After All

UNITED States senators—members of the "most august legislative body" in the world—as a rule take themselves mighty seriously. Yet they have been given nicknames, just like small boys, prize fighters and ball players. The Washington newspaper correspondents are responsible for most of these nicknames. It's easier, you see, to say "Quince" than to say "Josiah Quintus Bobb of Massachusetts." Also, these correspondents in the senate press gallery have learned that senators are only human beings after all. Some of these nicknames are rather clever; others are decidedly forced. For example, the two leaders in the treaty fight, Senator Hitchcock of Nebraska, and Senator Lodge of Massachusetts, both have their nicknames. Senator Hitchcock is regularly alluded to as "Hitchy-Koo," while the "Cabot" in his opponent's name has resulted in "Cabbage."

The identity of some of the senators bearing picturesque sobriquets may not be revealed, for obvious reasons. For instance, it would be impossible to tell the name of the senator who is called "Polonius," because of his heavy style and podgy wit. Nor would it be wise to disclose the name of the senator who is termed "Sweetheart" on account of his dapper manner, mincing way of speaking and general cunningness. It would never do to divulge the individuality of "The Boy Orator," or of "The Migratory Bird."



It would not be quite sporting, either, to tell who is called "The Kentucky Gambler." It is disagreeable, but true that another senator is known as "Hog Eye."

Senator Owen of Oklahoma is referred to as "Oconostota," he is part Cherokee and this is his Indian name. Senator Simmons of North Carolina is known as "Fern," his given name being Furnifold. "Meddle" McCormick of Illinois. "Cyarter" Glass of Virginia—the way he pronounces it himself—"Doc" France of Maryland, who is a physician, and "Atlas" Pomeroy of Ohio, whose actual name is Atlee, cannot object to these puns.

Hiram Johnson of California is termed "Hi-Ram." Vice President Marshall is "the V. P." Senator Reed Smoot of Utah is "Senator Smooth." Senator Asie I. Gronna of North Dakota has a first name easily altered to "Ace."

Senator Knute Nelson of Minnesota, "Splendid Old Viking," is "King Canute."

## The Old Capable of Useful Achievements



SEVENTY-eight when he painted his famous "Battle of Lepanto," the most famous single picture in the world. "Last Judgment" was painted by Michael Angelo when eighty-nine. Joseph Jefferson portrayed Rip Van Winkle with added effectiveness at seventy-five. Whittier and Bryant issued new volumes at seventy-nine. Humboldt finished the best work of his life, his "Kosmos," at ninety. Galileo was making new discoveries at seventy-three.

"At seventy Commodore Vanderbilt owned but 120 miles of railroad, and at eighty-eight he owned 10,000 miles of railroad and had added to his fortune \$100,000,000. Henry Watterson, who is one of the greatest among editorial writers of the nation, at eighty-three is still in the harness.

"This winter I attended a post meeting at Pleasant Hill, O.—Dan W. Williams Post, No. 369, Grand Army of the Republic—a live-wire post. There were 17 Grand Army men present, some of whom came four or five miles. The average age of the 17 was eighty-one years and nine months. This post meets once a month, and the average attendance is 11. Tell me no more that the old are not capable of high and useful achievements."

## Dewey's House to Be Turned Into Store

PURCHASED with pennies of school children and the contributions of patriotic citizens as a tribute to a hero, the house at 1747 Rhode Island avenue, given to Admiral George Dewey in 1899, has been sold out of the family and is being converted into a store.

The permit for dismantling this gift of the people is issued to Mrs. Francis Pitney of New Jersey, wife of John Billantyne Pitney, a relative of Supreme Court Justice Mahlon H. Pitney. Mrs. Pitney is a daughter of Mrs. John R. Williams of Washington. The property was transferred to her several weeks ago under deed by Mildred McLean Dewey, widow of the admiral, and George G. Dewey, his son.

This residence was possibly the largest factor in dimming the halo of one of the most popular figures ever before the American public.

The admiral was more than a year reaching America after his exploit of May day, 1898. The American people insisted upon doing some handsome



and permanent service for him, and when it was found that he was to wed Mrs. Mildred McLean Hazen the thought crystallized in a public subscription to buy the home on Rhode Island avenue.

The deed to the house was delivered to Admiral Dewey October 28, 1899, about two weeks before his wedding. Three weeks later there was a wave of protest when he transferred the house to Mrs. Dewey. It was afterward transferred to the admiral's son, George Dewey. Admiral Dewey died January 16, 1917.

## Annual Fete of the Wellesley College Girls



Scene during the annual Wellesley college ceremonies showing Miss Elizabeth Head of Bangor, Me., president of the freshmen class, crowned as "Queen Elizabeth."

## Hit Price Peak, Dealers Think

### Refusal of Public to Meet Further Advances Credited With Turning Scale.

### DEPARTMENT STORES LEAD

Clothing Stock Surplus, Especially in Women's Wear, Likely to Bring Reductions—Silk Reductions Are to Be Permanent.

New York.—The substantial reductions that have been made recently in the prices of all commodities by department and other stores throughout the country have led the buying public to wonder whether or not these reductions are the forerunners of continued reduction in the high prices that have prevailed since America entered the war. In an effort to ascertain the cause and probable extent of the downward movement, the New York Times has made inquiries among representative merchants in the wholesale and retail lines as well as among financial leaders. Their replies seem to agree that a permanent reduction movement has begun.

In the minds of many, however, there is still much doubt as to the meaning of the reductions that have been announced and made by the department stores and other commercial houses. Even those who are not yet ready to say that a general fall in prices is to be expected are unwilling to predict that present levels will be maintained. A majority of wholesale and retail dealers admit that prices are too high and that a reaction must come before the public will begin free buying.

Surplus of Clothing. One phase of the reductions made by department stores has been the effort of middlemen to discover how the plan is worked. Dozens of wholesale and retail dealers confessed that they or their agents had made purchases at department stores for comparison with their own prices and qualities.

The representative of a big London department store said he had bought from a department store certain articles much cheaper than prices quoted by manufacturers.

In the wholesale clothing trade it is generally admitted that there is a surplus of goods. By some this surplus is said to be due to unseasonable weather, and by others it is admitted that the public has refused to pay existing prices. A number of representatives of this group said reductions must be made all along the line, from the manufacturers to the retailer. With overstocks already on hand, clothing dealers are said to be canceling orders, while the mills are eager for business and willing to offer price concessions. It is now predicted that fewer sales will be made during the coming season, if the reports of early fall orders, booked by the clothiers, may be taken as a fair indication, but what is lost in volume, the clothing trade hopes, will be made up in a concentration on higher class garments.

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In the silk market it is no secret that price reductions which have been made are to be permanent. Huge stocks of raw silks are held in this country by Japanese interests and must be released following the break in the Japanese market, at substantially lower prices than were prevailing during midwinter when top prices were realized for raw materials. Members of this trade do not hesitate to say that prices have been too high, and that the time has come for a readjustment on an entirely new basis.

A disposition to await developments has marked the cotton goods market. There has been only gradual easing off in the prices of printcloths and sheetings which have a wide variety of uses when finished. In the prices of satens and other fabrics used by the clothing trades the reductions have been more marked.

Belief is expressed in the financial district that commodity prices will continue downward because it is believed that wholesale prices reached their peak in February, and that within a few weeks the reaction will take a stronger hold of the retail markets.

### High Cost of Friendship.

Fulton, W. Va.—With red liquor selling for \$23 a quart and "moonshine" for \$16, Frank Reed has been fined \$100 for giving away a quart of the booze, and must also serve two months in jail because he bestowed his gift on a friend in a public place.

### Not Like Mother Used to Make.

Rhode Island chickens, two fox hounds, and the only family tom cat were found dead at the home of C. H. Gilham as the result of eating biscuits cooked for the Gilham family the day before.

### An Intelligent Watch.

Franklin, Ind.—Four years after Rev. William Mullendore lost a gold watch, it was plowed up on his farm by his son-in-law. The watch was in excellent condition and its hands pointed to the correct time of day, though it wasn't running when found.

### A Life-saving Buoy Invented in Europe is Hammock-shaped and Large enough for a man to lie in and propel himself through water with a paddle.

### City Doubled Taxes on Profiteering Landlord

A 100 per cent increase in the assessed valuation of his property was the penalty imposed by the Detroit city council on Jacob Shevitz, owner of a nine-family apartment house, who was accused of increasing their rents from \$42 to \$90 per month.

### Rice Party Has Encounter With Giant White Savages in South America.

NOT AFRAID OF FIREARMS

Professor Rice Says That in All His Experience in Tropical Jungles He Never Saw Such Ferocious Looking Savages.

New York.—The exploring party headed by Dr. Alexander Hamilton Rice, which clashed last February near the banks of the Orinoco with giant cannibals, returned here from Para.

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two or three. The party then turned back.

"The cannibals were almost white in color," Professor White said. "In all my years in the tropical jungles I have never seen such ferocious looking savages. Nearly all were armed with bows and arrows and carried spears and blowguns. They were more than six feet tall and I recognized them as cannibals of the Guaribou tribe, a mountain legion considered the most ferocious of all the savages in either Venezuela, Colombia, or Brazil."

The professor declared he believed it was the first time these cannibals were met by white men since 1703, when a Spanish expedition discovered them.

### Record Trip for White Woman.

Mrs. Rice was not with her husband on the occasion of the attack on the party. However, she traveled with the party as far as Esmeralda, Brazil, penetrating further into the Amazon wilderness than any other white woman, according to the explorer.

The Rio Negro and other outlets of the Amazon were explored and charted, as well as the Casiquiare canal and the Upper Orinoco, Doctor Rice said. A number of specimens were brought back for the Peabody museum at Harvard.

### Wants Cat Wet Nurses To Nurse Baby Foxes

New York.—A call for mother cats to nurse silver foxes was received in New York from an upstate fox farm owner.

H. M. Bacon, president of the New York Fur Auction Sales corporation, to whom the appeal for cats was sent, said the fox farmer was willing to take all the cats he could get. A mother cat can earn \$2.50 for six weeks' endeavor, he said. At end of six weeks, a litter of baby foxes becomes sufficiently mature to take solid food.

### Negro Girl Rich.

Muskogee, Okla.—The richest negro girl in the United States is Sarah Rector, eighteen, who lives near Muskogee, Okla. Through oil found on the supposedly worthless land she owned she is now worth a million and a half.

## HAD CHRONIC BRONCHITIS FOR TWENTY-SIX YEARS NOW WELL AND HAPPY THIS IS WORTH READING

The experience of Mr. E. J. Toupalik, 1438 Rose street, LaCrosse, Wisconsin, is chiefly remarkable on account of the length of time he was afflicted.

He writes: "I have been suffering with chronic bronchitis for twenty-six years and every winter I would catch cold and become so hoarse I could not speak for six or eight weeks. I could get only temporary relief.

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### Cause and Effect.

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"Subject for Sunday morning: 'A Night of Agony.'—Boston Transcript.

## DEATH WAS NEAR

Florida Woman in Critical Condition From Dropsy, But Doan's Brought Recovery

"Dropsy brought me right down to the shadow of the grave," says Mrs. Ida B. Atwell, 904 William St., Key West, Fla. "For fifteen years I was a hopeless wreck, struggling between life and death. The pains were so severe in my back I screamed in agony. My head ached so severely I thought my skull was being crushed. Black specks floated before my eyes, and I had to grasp the bed to keep from falling. My kidney secretions burned and scalded and I could pass only a few drops at a time. My body bloated. The pressure of so much water on my chest almost smothered me. My feet also swelled and large sacs of water hung beneath my eyes. My skin had a shiny white appearance and anywhere I pressed a dent would remain for hours. I became a nervous wreck."

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## BIDDIE GROWS SPURS

Chicago Surgeon Produces Hen With Knife.

Transplanted Glands Cause Hen to Develop All Characteristics of Chanticleer.

Chicago.—The experiments of Dr. Victor D. Lespinasse of the Northwestern university in tinkering with the sex of the common hen and his demonstrations before medical experts have aroused the interest of chicken growers.

"It was a simple enough operation," explained Doctor Lespinasse; "just the transplanting of the interstitial glands of a rooster to a hen. But the result was surprising and perhaps no one was more surprised than the hen herself. Within a few weeks she began to develop all the characteristics of a chanticleer.

"She grew a comb and wattles,

Saddle feathers appeared next and finally a pair of spurs. She took to strutting pompously about the barnyard, lording it over the other fowls.

"Instead of cackling, our near-rooster would essay a feeble kee-kee. A full-sized he-crow is about the only thing that's lacking to complete her—or, I might say, his—roosterhood."

The he-hen is now on a farm in the suburbs of Chicago.

In further experiments with animals, Doctor Lespinasse succeeded recently in producing "Siamese Twin" dogs. These didn't live long, but were perfect specimens.

Gave His Reverence Long Ride.

Lebanon, Ky.—After riding a mile on the pilot of the engine which had smashed his automobile, Rev. Father W. J. Rowlett told the engineer that he thought he never would bring his train to a stop. Father Rowlett was not even scratched.